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May 15, 1989

Mr. Terry E. Goodwald, Project Officer
Division of Emergency and Remedial Response
Penna. Dept. of Environmental Resources (PADER)
Pittsburgh Regional Office
Highland Building, 121 South Highland Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15206-3988

Re: Consent Order and Agreement (COA)
Pennwalt Corporation
ALSCO Community Park/Lindane Site
Harrison Township, Allegheny County, PA
Progress Report No. 19

Dear Mr. Goodwald:

In accordance with Paragraph 19 of the referenced COA, this letter will serve as Progress Report No. 19 covering the month of April 1989. This report describes the work accomplished during the reporting period to implement the requirements of the COA.

1. Paragraph 2 - Work Plan and Paragraph 4 - Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study (RI/FS)

The implementation of the approved RI/FS Work Plan is in progress in accordance with the approved project schedule.

Work Plan activities which were conducted during this reporting period included:

a) Task 8 - Remedial Investigation (RI) Report

The RI Report was submitted to the PADER and EPA Region III on May 1, 1989, in accordance with the approved RI/FS Work Plan schedule. A copy of the appropriate laboratory and field Quality Assurance/Quality Control (QA/QC) data was included as a separate package with the RI Report to the PADER to facilitate the agency's data validation process.

b. Task 5 - Soil Surveys - ALSCO Park Surficial Soil Samples

By letter of May 1, Pennwalt provided the PADER and EPA III with a proposed agenda for the May 11 meeting with regard to the agencies' request for additional surficial soil samples within and adjacent to ALSCO Park.

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Pennwalt and its environmental consultant met with the PADER and EPA III on May 11 to discuss this additional work. A mutual agreement was reached for Pennwalt to conduct additional surficial soil sampling/analysis within the perimeter of the park along certain areas in Zone A. Pennwalt agreed to advise the agencies of a proposed schedule for submittal of a work plan and schedule during the week of May 15. The objective of this task is to provide complete delineation of the quality of the surficial soil along the Zone A boundary of the park with respect to BHC isomer, DDT and metabolites.

2. Paragraphs 11, 12 and Appendix E

Analytical results of samples collected during April 1989 from the interim leachate treatment system, indicated that the effluent quality was in full compliance with the interim effluent limits stipulated in Paragraph 11 of the COA. The monitoring report was submitted to the PADER on May 12.

3. Major Activities Scheduled for May 1989

Pennwalt will provide the PADER and EPA III with a proposed work plan and schedule for conducting additional surficial soil sampling/analysis in Zone A of the park. Pennwalt projects that the field work would be conducted in June, 1989 pending receipt of written approval of the work plan and schedule from the PADER and EPA III.

4. Daily Field Reports

There were no field activities conducted at the site during April 1989.

Very truly yours,

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Mr. Terry Stilman, EPA Region III

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